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In re application of:

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For: CHASSIS FRAME AND METHOD  
OF MANUFACTURING CHASSIS  
FRAME

Art Unit: --

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.97(b)(2)Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant for the above-identified application, which is now entering the U.S. National Stage pursuant to 35 U.S.C. Section 371, hereby submits legible copies of the following relevant arts along with the Form PTO-1449 which contains the information required by 37 CFR 1.98(b):

- A. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. 10-338161 published in Japan on December 22, 1998;
- B. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. 2003-285162 published in Japan on October 7, 2003;
- C. Japanese Patent No. 2503341 published in Japan on April 2, 1996;
- D. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. 2002-120754 published in Japan on April 23, 2002;
- E. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. 2002-178043 published in Japan on June 25, 2002; and
- F. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. 2000-203452 published in

Japan on July 25, 2000.

The above-listed prior art, A-E, which are all in Japanese, are cited in the International Search Report issued by Japanese Patent Office to the above-identified International Application.

Though these prior art A-E cited in the Search Report are not in the English language, the Search Report (a copy thereof enclosed) is written in English and the degree of relevance is indicated therein by way of the markings of Ys along with the explanation of such markings. Accordingly, pursuant to MPEP Section 609, the requirement for a concise explanation of relevance pursuant to 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3) for each of these non-English language prior art is satisfied, and an English concise explanation thereof is omitted herein. Nonetheless, an English language abstract is attached to each one of these non-English prior art.

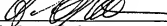
The above-listed prior art F is not in the English language, but the concise explanation of relevance of this prior art is incorporated in the specification pursuant to 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3). Nonetheless, an English language abstract of prior art F is attached to the copy thereof.

Accordingly, it is hereby respectfully requested that the Patent Office make a record of these relevant art and consider them during the examination.

Respectfully submitted,

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